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In re Patent Application of:
Choong-Chin Liew

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Art Unit: 1634

For: METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF
CANCER RELATED GENE TRANSCRIPTS
IN BLOOD

Examiner: J. C. Switzer

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time to and including December 27, 2006 to respond to the Office Action mailed September 27, 2006.

This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application being filed concurrently herewith.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 04-1105 in the amount of \$225.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our

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